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City Of Las Vegas Hosts Free October Concerts, Festivals, Films And More *"Seussical" Auditions, Oktoberfest, Book Festival, International Music Concerts For The Family*

The city of Las Vegas invites the public to the following free family events in October.

Rainbow Company Youth Theatre will hold auditions for "Seussical" Saturday, Oct. 1, beginning promptly at 1 p.m. at the Charleston Heights Arts Center located at 800 S. Brush St. Parts in the musical are available for ages 8 to adult. There is no cost to audition. A prepared song is recommended; come dressed to dance. Show performances will be Dec. 2-11 at the Charleston Heights Arts Center. For more details, visit www.artslasvegas.org or call 702-229-6553.

Bring the family to enjoy **Oktoberfest** Saturday, Oct. 1, from 3 to 9 p.m. at the Historic Fifth Street School, located at 401 S. Fourth St. The annual festival returns to downtown Las Vegas with live German music, dance, traditional food, beer and children's activities. Entertainment will be provided by the AlpenBand California, accordionist Hubert Gall and the Las Vegas Bavarians dancers. The event is presented by the city of Las Vegas in partnership with the German-American Social Club of Nevada. For more information, visit <http://alpenband.com/index.html>, artslasvegas.org or www.germanamericanclubnv.com/, or call 702-229-ARTS or 702-649-8503.

Enjoy a **free concert of folk music of the Canary Islands by Germán Lopez**, young star of the timple, and guitarist Antonio Toledo, Thursday, Oct. 6, at 7 p.m. at the Historic Fifth Street School at 401 S. Fourth St. Their music brings together Spanish flamenco, West-African rhythms and a 21st-century approach to island music. The timple is a five-string acoustic instrument. Metered parking is available on the surrounding streets and in the parking garage on Fourth Street across from the venue. For more information on the artists, visit www.germanlopeztimple.com. For more information on the concert, visit www.artslasvegas.org or call 702-229-ARTS (2787).

Everyone will enjoy the **Vegas Valley Book Festival** Saturday, Oct. 15, starting at 10 a.m. at the Historic Fifth Street School, 401 S. Fourth St. Celebrity authors across all genres, ages, and cultural backgrounds will share their work and creative processes starting at 10 a.m. Then at 5:30 p.m., the Festival's *After-Dark* event moves to the Inspire Theater, located on the corner of historic Fremont Street at 107 Las Vegas Blvd. South, for an evening of libations, mind-opening talks with MacArthur Genius Award recipient Katherine Boo and Pulitzer Prize winner Adam Johnson, and lively conversations into the night. The Writer's Block will host poet Joanne Kyger at 7 p.m. at 1020 Fremont St.

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Festival attendees will enjoy books signings, readings, workshops, vendor exhibits, and other special programs. Local food trucks also will be on hand to provide fuel for inquisitive minds. The children's side of the Vegas Valley Book Festival features live music, crafts, performances, special bilingual entertainment, bookmaking and presentations from renowned authors and illustrators of children's books.

Now in its 15th year, the Vegas Valley Book Festival is free and open to the public, thanks to support from its producing partners: city of Las Vegas; Las Vegas-Clark County Library District; Las Vegas-Clark County Library District Foundation, Inc.; the Las Vegas Chapter of AIGA, the professional organization for design; the Las Vegas Review-Journal; Nevada Humanities; the Beverly Rogers, Carol C. Harter Black Mountain Institute at UNLV; and Vegas PBS. For information on author appearances, schedules, volunteering and much more, please go online to VegasValleyBookFestival.org/. Keep up with festival news on [Twitter](#) #VVBF, [Facebook](#), [Google+](#), and [Pinterest](#), or call 702-229-5902 with questions.

Bring your lunch to enjoy a noontime hour-long **concert by French Canadian artist Naomi Emmerson Friday, Oct. 21**, at the Lloyd D. George Federal Courthouse Jury Assembly Room at 333 Las Vegas Blvd. South. For more information on performer, visit <http://www.naomiemerson.com/>. Call 702-229-ARTS for more information or visit artslasvegas.org.

Enjoy two family-friendly science-fiction movie classics – “Attack of the Monsters” and “War of the Monsters – outdoors on the lawn at the Sammy Davis Jr. Festival Plaza in Lorenzi Park Saturday, Oct. 29, starting at 6:30 p.m. Creature features have been popular since the cult horror films of the 1930s, right through the Japanese monster or “kaiju” movies of the '60s and the campy onslaught of the '70s and '80s. Some have achieved classic status, while others are laughably bad. Bring low-back lawn chairs or lawn blankets to be more comfortable. Refreshments will be available for purchase. Sammy Davis Jr. Festival Plaza is located at 720 Twin Lakes Drive, on the west side of Lorenzi Park. For more information, call 702-229-3514 or visit www.artslasvegas.org

The city of Las Vegas frequently provides free and low-cost performing and visual arts experiences to the Las Vegas community. For more information on these and upcoming programs and classes, go online to www.artslasvegas.org or call 702-229-3515.

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